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FILING DATE: August 13, 2004 EXAMINER: Not Yet Assigned  
TITLE: PLASMA SOURCE WITH SEGMENTED MAGNETRON CATHODE

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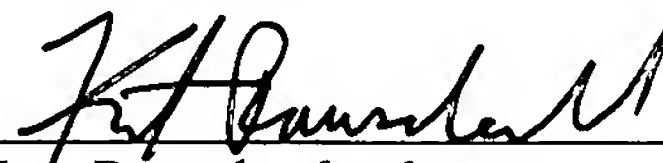
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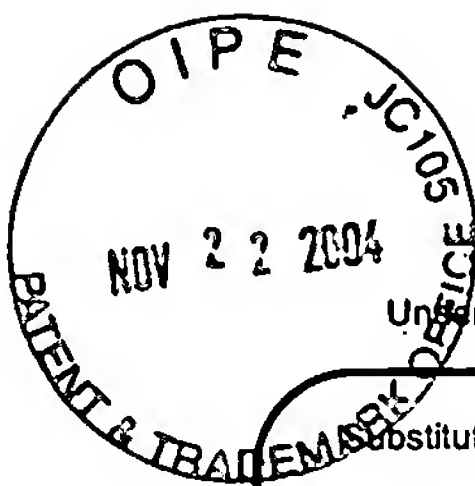
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